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I think it is high time the government (Feds and State) and Microsoft put an end to this case. We have learned over the years that when both sides are not happy with it, then it is probably as good a deal as one could ask for. We hear the complaints from both sides which tells us it really is time to put this thing to bed. We strongly urge the Justice Department to accept the settlement!!!!!!

I have informed my Senator that I am not in favor of anymore political posturing via hearings, and that the dissenting states Attorney's General should stop the political barking (which is just to appease the big software and Internet companies that want to destroy their competitors). Competition is good for the computer industry and this settlement seems to assure fair and honest competition will take place.

Respectfully,

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PS We are stockholders of BOTH AOL and Microsoft and actually have a greater stake in AOL than Microsoft. We think AOL's lobbying against this settlement is little more than sour grapes (and we have communicated with them our feelings as expressed above).

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